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1. In the Grochow district of Warsaw there are several large five and six story apartment houses which were erected originally in 1939. In the basements of these houses are cellars for the use of the tenants. Under the cellars are air raid shelters which were sufficiently well constructed to withstand the German bombing of Warsaw in 1939 even though the upper part of the houses was flattened. These have been rebuilt since the end of the war.
2. During the second week of October 1953, the janitors of these houses were visited by a deputation consisting of three Polish military officers and three civilians. The janitors were instructed to clear all the junk out of the shelters and clean them thoroughly because the Army needed to use them for storage.
3. The janitors were given strict instructions not to mention the matter to anyone, and to do the work only during the late hours of the night so that the inhabitants would not know it was being done.

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